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UNCLAS. APRIL 25. IN COMMENTING ABOUT A RECENT WIRE SERVICE ITEM WHICH NOTED THAT NIXON' S ADMINISTRATION FELT " DISCOURAGED" BECAUSE THERE WAS A WIDE IMPRESSION THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD NEGLECTED ITS RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICA, LA PRENSA GRAFICE, SAN SALVADOR' S MOST INFLUENTIAL PAPER, ASSERTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN A DETERIORATION OF THE UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE U. S. AND LATIN AMERICA*

U. S. NEGLECT, ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, HAD BEEN THE CAUSE OF MANY DIFFICULT SITUATIONS AND IT ADDED THAT IT WAS EASY TO SEE WHY THERE WERE FEW LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES THE UNITED STATES HAD NOT HAD SOME SORT OF DIFFERENCE WITH EITHER BECAUSE OF THE 200- MILE SEA LIMIT, OR FOR SOME OTHER REASONS.

THE PAPER ASKED: WILL THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT NIXON CONTINUESUCH A NEGATIVE POLICY? ONLY MR. NIXON COULD CLARIFY THIS, ALTHOUGH IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THOUGHT HAS BEEN GIVEN OO A CHANGE. WE HAVE READ, CONTINUED THE PAPER, THAT SECRETARY OF STATE ROGERS WILL MAKE A TOUR OF ELEVEN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. IT IS A LONG TRIP WHICH WE HOPE WILL RESULT IN THE UNITED STATES PAYING MORE ATTENTION TO ITS RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICA.
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